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Friday.

Darling Wife:-

Your sweet, darling letter of Tuesday just received, and honey, it certainly was wonderful. I can assure ~~ya~~ you I lost all my nervousness over you now, for I feel from your letter, that things aren't so bad with you at the dispensary. It did worry me, I must admit, but I was quite assured after reading your lovely letter.

Love, before I go further, I must tell you this. Benatsky's nephew told me to withdraw my application as I will be black-balled, and further told me to go in through another lodge, not the one I made application to. What do you think of that? After considering it, I made up my mind to withdraw my application, and probably in a month or two go into the Masons through another lodge. I spoke to the Dean about it to-day & he advised me to withdraw rather than be black-balled. Love, if it wasn't for your letter this morning, I don't know what would have happened, for nearly everything went wrong with me to-day but, its over now, I feel better and see the fallacy in worrying over it.

Becoming mine, I can hardly describe my happiness whenever it comes for me to look up a flat and furniture. It makes me feel so happy, for I know and feel that soon, soon, you will be here and love and beloved as it should be. How can I feel otherwise when I think of all the love that is stored up and waiting for me, that intense, pure, sincere, everlasting love; and the fact that you are not disappointed in me, I can assure you, makes me doubly happy. Love, I do remember the time when things were so black for us, but now, I do thank God that things have come to pass as they did. I must admit that for the begining, things were going along so smoothly, and I only hope and pray that in way you will be here. Honey, even the Dean says I can support you and provide very nicely in the begining on $100.00 a month and he says she is sure I'll make out very well in the long run. Before I go further, he said that he wants to see you when you come down and I assured him that he will for I will bring you up and introduce you to him. He is very anxious to meet you alright. And when I told him of your wonderful qualities and the beautiful letters you write, he was happy, believe me. He asked me if I was going to take you to a furnished apartment or furnish our own home. I told him that when you come here, you are going direct to your own comfy little home, and then he told me that I was doing the right thing saying "You had enough of furnished rooms, didn't you Joe?" I assured him I did & then he laughed. As a matter of fact, I am getting along splendidly with everybody, but I fear Dr. Lazar & I are going to have it out. He is very erratic, nervous, of an explosive disposition. At times he forgets himself, and if I didn't know him so much, and so well, I would have quit having anything to do with him. Anyway, there is no use crossing the bridge before I get there, so will await further developement. Mrs. Lazar is a nice little woman and I would like you to meet her. Little by little, I'm making a number of friends and

am sure that in time I'll have quite a circle of friends. The only friends I want are those from whom I can make a few dollars, but of course, I want to get friends with whom you can associate with when I am very busy, but you may be sure, sweetheart, I sure am going to stick around you as much as I can, believe me, busy or not busy. We will both go together, any place and everyplace, eh, Lovie dear?

Love, dear, I sure am holding you responsible for my property and I can assure you that I am keeping myself in as good shape as I possibly can. Thank God, I am not suffering so much from headaches as I used. Lord, I don't want any of those things.

I am still keeping my eyes for a nice little ivory bed-room set. I am sure I can get one that will suit your taste. As yet, I haven't seen any with a chifferobe (is that right?), only dressers, that is, one with a mirror and ordinary drawers, instead of doors. Will that make any material difference? Let me know, sweetheart.

Lovie, my uncle claims he sent you a letter. By this time, no doubt you have received it. Mr. Rajan inclosed a little note in my letter, so I presume you will get that. His address is 41 Goodban Building. Whatever you do, darling, keep after the mail and see that it doesn't go astray, for honey, I am always after your letters and I want you to receive ~~them~~ mine, for your answers sure do wonderfully help me.

Precious sweetheart mine, let me assure again that your darling letter bolstered me up a good deal and I feel very happy. Now you didn't let me know about your darling little footsie. How is it getting on? How are you in general health.

Must close now, darling, with all my love, kisses, hugs and thoughts to my own precious, sweet, darling little wifie who made me so happy to-day,

Ever lovingly & longingly your own

Joe